Program B: Firefighters' Supplemental Payments

Program Authorization: R.S. 16:2591,33:2001, 33:2218.8

Program Description

This program was established to provide additional compensation for local municipal police officers, deputy sheriffs, firefighters, constables and justices of the peace. To qualify for state supplemental pay, municipal police officers, deputy sheriffs, and firefighters must be Police Officer Standard Training (P.O.S.T) certified and have one year of service. Until Fiscal Year 1997, supplemental pay was based on years of service. Funding was provided in Fiscal Year 1997 to fund supplemental pay to all eligible law enforcement personnel at the rate of \$278 per month. In Fiscal Year 1998, supplemental pay was again raised to the uniform rate of \$300 per month for eligible law enforcement personnel. Constables and justices of the peace receive \$75 per month in state supplemental payments. Funding is provided at these rates for Fiscal Year 2003.

A Board of Review, made up of the Commissioner of Administration (or his representative), a member of the Louisiana Conference of Police Associations, and the Deputy Secretary for Public Safety Services, determines eligibility of municipal police officers to receive supplemental pay. The Supplemental Firemen's Board of Review, made up of five members appointed by the Governor (three from Professional Firefighters of Louisiana and two from the Louisiana State Firefighters Association), determines eligibility of applicants seeking state supplemental pay for firefighters. A Board of Review, made up of the Commissioner of Administration (or his representative), a member of the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, and the Director of the Department of Public Service (or his representative), determines the eligibility of deputy sheriffs to receive supplemental pay. Act 657 of 1986 now requires one year job tenure and completion of a certified training program before officers can receive supplemental pay.

RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR THE PROGRAM

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$16,802,803	\$17,722,300	\$17,722,300	\$18,564,700	\$18,564,700	\$842,400
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$16,802,803	\$17,722,300	\$17,722,300	\$18,564,700	\$18,564,700	\$842,400
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Compensation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Related Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Charges	16,802,803	17,722,300	17,722,300	18,564,700	18,564,700	842,400
Total Acq. & Major Repairs	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$16,802,803	\$17,722,300	\$17,722,300	\$18,564,700	\$18,564,700	\$842,400
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		0	0	0	0	0

SOURCE OF FUNDING

This program is funded with State General Fund.

MAJOR FINANCIAL CHANGES

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL	T.O.	DESCRIPTION	
\$17,722,300	\$17,722,300	0	ACT 12 FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002	
\$0	\$0	0	BA-7 TRANSACTIONS: None	
\$17,722,300	\$17,722,300	0	EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET - December 20, 2001	
\$842,400	\$842,400	0	Miscellaneous adjustments for increased number of participants	
\$18,564,700	\$18,564,700	0	TOTAL RECOMMENDED	
(\$12,056,516)	(\$12,056,516)	0	LESS GOVERNOR'S SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS	
\$6,508,184	\$6,508,184	0	BASE EXECUTIVE BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003	
\$4,897,357	\$4,897,357		SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT UPON RENEWAL OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX LIMITATION ON EXCESS ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS: Funding of the payments to eligible participants for supplemental pay.	
\$7,159,159	\$7,159,159		SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT UPON RENEWAL OF THE SUSPENSION OF EXEMPTIONS TO THE 1% SALES TAX BASE: Funding of the payments to eligible participants for supplemental pay.	
\$12,056,516	\$12,056,516	0	TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT UPON RENEWAL OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX LIMITATION ON EXCESS ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS AND THE SUSPENSION OF THE EXEMPTIONS OF THE 1% SALES TAX BASE	
\$18,564,700	\$18,564,700	0	GRAND TOTAL RECOMMENDED	

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This program does not have funding recommended for Professional Services for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

OTHER CHARGES

\$18,564,700 Supplemental Payments to Fire Fighters

\$18,564,700 TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

This program does not have funding recommended for Acquisitions and Major Repairs for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.